

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1792

FOR: SUBSTRATE HOLDER HAVING A
FLUID GAP AND METHOD OF
FABRICATING THE SUBSTRATE
HOLDER

ELECTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

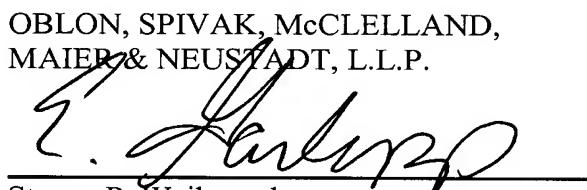
SIR:

In response to the Election Requirement dated October 14, 2009, Applicant elects Group I, identified in the outstanding Office Action as corresponding to apparatus Claims 1-31 and 45-47, drawn to a substrate holder. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-31 and 45-47 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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